General Elections

* 119 *Q.*—Sri K. P. GOPALAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state whether this Government have received any communication from the Central Government regarding the dates of the next general elections?

The Hon. Sri C. SUBRAMANIAM : No, Sir.

Punchiri Motor Bus Service

* 120 *Q.*—Sri K. MADHAVAN NAMBIAR : Will the Hon. the Minister for Religious Endowments and Transport be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have received a representation on 20th February 1956 either from the public or from the Bus Passengers' Association, Kurumbranad taluk, Malabar, about the alleged irregular running, over-loading, etc., in the Punchiri Motor Bus Service, Badagara, and the difficulties of the passengers; and

(*b*) if so, the action taken thereon?

The Hon. Sri B. PARAMESWARAN : (*a*) No, Sir.

(*b*) Does not arise.

Tamilians in the Andhra Armed Police

* 120-A *Q.*—Sri M. KALYANASUNDARAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(*a*) how many companies of Special Armed Police consisting of Tamilians were left under the Andhra Government at the time of partition in the year 1953;

(*b*) whether they were given option to come back to Madras Government;

(*c*) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(*d*) whether there is any proposal allowing them to revert to this State?

The Hon. Sri C. SUBRAMANIAM : (*a*) Four and three-fourth Active Companies and one Headquarters Company consisting of non-Andhra personnel were allotted to the Andhra State.

(*b*) They were not given the option to come back to Madras State.

(*c*) The companies allotted and the personnel transferred to Andhra were on a permanent basis. As the personnel were treated as ' allotted ' officers, they have not been given the option to return to this State.

(*d*) Yes. The matter is under consideration.